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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to a final Office Action having a mailing date of April 5, 2002 and received in regard to the above-referenced application, kindly enter the following amendment and response.

In accordance with the US Patent Office's rule changes regarding amendment practice, applicant has amended claim 2 as shown in final form on page 2 and in amended form on page 7.